GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:174
ANSWERED ON:10.12.2015
Protection of Harbours from Nuclear Radiation
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) the existing mechanism put in place to provide safety and security to major ports in the country;
(b) whether any safety audit of major ports undertaken, if so, the outcome thereof along with corrective action taken to improve safety of ports;
(c) whether the Government has installed/proposes to install latestequipment to protect the harbours from nuclear radiation and if so, the details thereof;
(d) the harbours where such equipment have been installed/proposed to be installed, port-wise; and
(e) the budget allocated and utilised for the purpose and the time by which these equipment are likely to be installed at all the harbours across the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING
(SHRI NITIN GADKARI)

(a)to(e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (E) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 174 FOR ANSWER ON 10TH DECEMBER, 2015 RAISED BY DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN REGARDING PROTECTION OF HARBOURS FROM NUCLEAR RADIATION

(a) All Major Ports are ISPS (International Ship and Port Facility Security Code) compliant issued by International Maritime Organization which envisages an assessment of security threat for the port by a recognised security organisation and establishment of the roles and responsibilities of Government security agencies. In addition, the Government has taken significant steps to upgrade the security at Major ports by Installation of Vessel Traffic Management System (VTMS), Issuance of biometric I-cards to port functionaries, acquisition of speed boats & patrolling boats. Government has also deployed Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) in all the Major Ports.

(b) Directorate General of Shipping conducts safety audit of Major Ports every year. Shortfall, if any, noted during audit have to be made good to ensure that the port continues to be ISPS compliant.

(c)to(e): The Government had directed all Major Ports to place orders for purchase/installation of Radioactive Detection Equipments (RDEs) on Electronic Corporation of India Limited (ECIL) out of their own resources. ECIL has already completed installation in all the Major Ports except Mumbai Port and Jawaharlal Nehru Port where installation is in its last stages. The details may be seen at Annexure-I. All Maritime States were also requested to install RDEs at their ports.

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ANNEXURE-I referred to in the Reply Given in Parts (c) to (e) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No.174 for answer on 10.12.2015.
Status of Installation & Commissioning of RDEs at Major Ports
Port Qty Delivery Installation & Commissioning Remarks
Kolkata Dock Complex 01 Completed Completed Nil
Haldia Dock Complex 01 Completed Completed Nil
Paradip Port 09 Completed Completed Nil
Visakhapatnam Port 02 Completed Completed Nil

Kamarajar Port 02 Completed Completed Nil
Chennai Port 08 Completed Completed Handing over is pending due to heavy rains.
V.O.Chidambaranar Port 10 Completed Completed Nil
Cochin Port 02 Completed Completed Nil
New Mangalore Port 07 Completed Completed Nil
Mormugao Port 01 Completed Completed Nil
Mumbai 06 Completed To be Completed by Feb. 2016 Civil & cabling works started.
Jawaharlal Nehru Port 28 Completed 17 systems Completed Rail lanes work started.
Kandla Port 06 Completed Completed Control rooms from port have to be ready to hand over the systems.

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